PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Project Location: Tahoe National Forest, American River Ranger District: located near Foresthill, Placer County, California.

Project Description: The OHMVR Division proposes to award grant funds to the Tahoe National Forest, American River Ranger District for the development of a 3 acre OHV staging area in the Brimstone Area, and expand the Sugar Pine staging area by 1 acre. The Brimstone project would create a formal 8-site staging area/campground facility with trash cans, fire rings, picnic tables, food lockers, and a double-unit concrete restroom facility. The Sugar Pine staging area project will provide for an additional 20 vehicle/trailer combinations; gravel the expanded area to minimized dust, install 2 double-unit concrete vault restrooms, trash receptacles, information kiosk, and construct a short (50 foot) trail to connect the expansion area to OHV Trail Loop 1.

Project Applicant: Tahoe National Forest

631 Coyote Street Nevada City, CA 95959

Comment Period: In accordance with CEQA, the OHMVR Division is soliciting comments on the adequacy and completeness of the analysis described in the IS/MND for the project. The public comment period begins on January 13, 2016 and ends on February 11, 2016, at 5 p.m. No public meeting will be held. The OHMVR Division shall consider the IS and all written comments received by the close of the comment period prior to deciding whether to adopt the MND and approve the project.

Document Availability:

The IS/MND and all documents referenced therein are available for the 30-calendar day public review and comment period. During the review period, copies of the IS/MND and all documents will be available for review at the following locations:

- CDPR, OHMVR Division
 1725 23rd Street, Suite 200
 Sacramento, CA 95816
 Contact George MacDougall, Grant Administrator Phone (916) 324-3788
 Email gmacdougall@parks.ca.gov
- Tahoe National Forest
 631 Coyote Street
 Nevada City, CA 95959
 Contact Joe Chavez, Recreation Specialist (530) 478-6158
- Electronic copies of all documents can be viewed and downloaded from the OHMVR Division's website at ohv.parks.ca.gov, on the CEQA/EIR Notices link.

How to Comment: Interested parties may provide written comments on the IS/MND, which must be **received** by the OHMVR Division no later than 5 p.m. on February 11, 2016. Written comments on the IS/MND may be provided by email to George.macdougall@parks.ca.gov or sent via U.S. mail or fax to the following address/fax number:

 Attn: George MacDougall CDPR, OHMVR Division 1725 23rd Street, Suite 200 Sacramento, CA 95816 Contact – George MacDougall Fax – (916) 324-1610 Email – George.MacDougall@parks.ca.gov

For further information, please call George MacDougall, Grant Administrator, at (916) 324-3788.